

ANOTHER BRITISH FORCE CAPTURED.

Colonel Broadwood's Command, With Six Guns, Walked Into a Boer Trap.

**Only Fifteen Miles From Bloemfontein—Roberts
Sent a Relief Force, Which, at Last Ac-
counts, Was Attacking.**

Bushman Kop, Saturday, March 31.—The British force commanded by Colonel Broadwood, consisting of the Tenth Hussars, Household Cavalry, two horse batteries and a force of mounted infantry, under Colonel Plicher, which had been garrisoning at Thaba N'ku, as the cavalry proceeded further east and the infantry made a good flank upon the chief ridge, the Boers trekked northward toward Brandfort, their left holding on with much tenacity until midnight to secure their right flank. The Boers were retreating northward about 6 o'clock.

The Boers lost, I believe, quite as many of themselves did, including several privateers.

Colonel Broadwood marched to the Bloemfontein waterworks, south of the

At early dawn the camp was shelled by the enemy from a near point. Colonel Broadwood sent off a convoy with the batteries, while the rest of the force remained to act as a rear guard.

The loss of life was not great, since most of the British had walked into the trap before a shot was fired.

General Colville's division, which left Bloemfontein early this morning, arrived here at noon and he is now shell- ing the Boers.

POSSIBILITY OF RESCUE.
BY MILTON V. SNYDER,
SPECIAL BY CABLE

London, Monday, April 2.—(Copyright, 1907, by the New York Herald Company.)—The extraordinary run of success which has attended Lord Roberts's operations was broken yesterday, when part of the British force operating east of Bloemfontein walked blindly into a Boer ambush and was captured, with six guns.

Colonel Broadwood, in command of the Tenth Hussars, the Household Cavalry, two Horse batteries and mounted infantry under Colonel Pitcher, was in garrison on Friday at Thaba N'Chu, which is about half way between the Free State capital and the border of Basutoland. The British

and the bores of Masodah, the senior commander was threatened by the near approach of a large Boer force, and, finding his position untenable, marched that night to the Bloemfontein waterworks, lying south of the Modder River, where he encamped. This position appears to be on the edge of the present frontier about fifteen miles from the present border.

Early Saturday morning the British camp was shelled from the rear. Colonel Broadwood thereupon sent off a convoy with the batteries, while the rest of his force remained at the rear guard.

The road here crosses a deep spruit, in which the Boers had concealed themselves. The whole British detachment walked into the ambush and were captured, with six of the guns they had with them. According to one account, the British loss was not

great, as most of the convoy were in the trap before a shot was fired.

Lord Roberts seems to have heard of Brindwood's plight very quickly and sent General Colville's division at once to his rescue. The latest reports say that Colville arrived on the scene Saturday noon and began shelling the Boers, so that there is some hope of their guns and wagons will be recovered.

LEADING TOPICS
—IN—
TO-DAY'S REPUBLIC.

DECISIVE BLOWS ADVISED.

London, April 2.—Spenser Wilkinson, in the Morning Post, says:

The attack on Thaba N'Chuan, the convey, is a sample of the mode in which the

about the war. It is a

For Missouri—Fair Monday and Tuesday; variable winds.

For Illinois—Fair, preceded in eastern portion by rain Monday; Tuesday calm, brisk northwesterly winds.

Boer army with very little ammunition, and the most effective for Boer purposes. So long as the Boer army keeps the field such a small force of British troops would be unable to get rid of the difficulty would be a swift advance and decisive blow against the main Boer army.

THURSDAY'S BATTLE.

By BENNETT BURLING
(London Telegraph Correspondent).

For Arkman—Fair morning; state and colder Tuesday; southerly winds.

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SPECIAL BY CARL
Bloemfontein, Friday, March 26.—(Copyright, 1900, by the New York Herald Company).—A brisk, yet protracted action was fought yesterday around Karee Siding, resulting in the defeat of the Boers with loss. The enemy fell back toward Brannfort.

Mr. Rudyard Kipling drove out with me in my car under bullet and shell fire. Our return journey involved a drive of nearly fifty miles.

This action was something more than a mere reconnaissance. It resulted in our freeing a wide area of rough, scrub, hilly country.

country of the presence of the Boers and from danger of raiding and shooting of peaceful burghers who have accepted Lord Roberts's terms.

Moreover, the dispersal of the enemy enables the work of repairing the railway and bridges to be carried forward.

Although our horses are not yet quite

4. Schreiber's Colors Much in Evidence.
Line on Youngsters at Morris Park.
Young Used Terrific Speed.
Bennings Opens To-Day.
Advices from Japan.
Fire at Newport.

recovered from the effects of previous fatiguing work, arrangements were made Wednesday to dispatch a column to attack the enemy, who were believed to be about 500 strong, holding the ranges northeast and west of Karee Siding. These natural positions were strengthened by

The Johannesburg police held the central ridges. General French advanced from Roodenihoven to Kalfontein with twenty-four guns and cleared the spruits of the

enemies. He then turned toward Louden-
back. Tucker's infantry held the ground
close to the railway. Colonel Le Gallais's
brigade of mounted infantry remained
mostly in reserve until the afternoon, the
Australians, City Imperial Volunteers and

The Boer outposts were driven in. The enemy in falling back to the main ridge attempted to turn Le Gallais' flank, the Johannesburg police coming down upon the plain about noon, but the British rifle fire and our "tommys" were too much for

them, although the place were supported by big guns and pompons.

Le Gallais was unable to carry the enemy's left hill and range, but by 2 o'clock French was bothering the Boer right, although they tried hard to outflank him, and

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Ticker's men, arriving, came under a heavy fire. They deployed and attacked the place and cleared the position. Then, helped by field batteries, they drove the Boers eastward.

ward, carrying the railway line and embankments held by the Boers.

Child's Patriotic Mistake